

with a group of survivors and health care professionals to form Nueva Vida, the only comprehensive support network for Latinas with breast and cervical cancer in the Washington metropolitan area.

As executive director of Nueva Vida, Ms. Hinestrosa gave voice to the struggles of Latinas with breast cancer, representing them on the board of directors of the National Breast Cancer Coalition and the National Cancer Institute's Central Institutional Review Board. She also played a leading role in the development of the International Latina Breast Cancer Advocacy Network.

While serving as executive vice president of the National Breast Cancer Coalition, Ms. Hinestrosa was a member of many national panels including the Department of Defense Breast Cancer Research Program and numerous committees for the Institute of Medicine. Most recently she was an appointee to the IOM Committee on Comparative Effective Research.

Ms. Hinestrosa is remembered by those who knew her as an extraordinary woman who contributed so much to women's health, breast cancer, and minority rights. An outpouring of admiration has come from the many people she touched.

Fran Visco, president of the National Breast Cancer Coalition, said Ms. Hinestrosa "was incredibly brilliant, analytical and at the same time warm and compassionate. Nothing intimidated Carolina because of her determination to change the system." Director of the National Cancer Institute John Niederhuber wrote "she was a remarkable woman. She was the type of person who you never forgot encountering. She was smart and passionate; committed and accomplished. The cancer community has lost an important voice." The director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Carolyn Clancy, worked frequently with Carolina and wrote that "her legacy is that patients and consumers are recognized voices in efforts to improve health care quality. Her contribution has inspired physicians, scientists, employers to focus on patients needs."

Ms. Hinestrosa was born in Bogotá, Columbia, and came to the United States in 1985 on a Fulbright scholarship to pursue a master's in economics. Carolina impacted countless people in her work both here in Washington, DC, and elsewhere. She was just 50 years old at the time of her passing and leaves behind a husband and daughter.

We must carry on Ms. Hinestrosa's work in eradicating breast cancer from our midst. Until then, we must continue to support one another and honor the legacy of passion and commitment that Carolina left behind.●

COMMENDING KEVIN MCENEANEY

● Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, I would like to congratulate and honor Mr. Kevin McEneaney of Dover, NH, for

his faithful service to the New Hampshire Board of Land Surveyors. Mr. McEneaney served on the board from August 18, 1999, until July 11, 2009, and he led the board as chairman during the final 2 years of his term.

The New Hampshire Board of Land Surveyors' mission is to set the standards for licensing and regulating land surveyors. The board sets the technical and ethical standards for the profession and is committed to upholding the highest level of public safety.

For a decade, Mr. McEneaney demonstrated the utmost integrity and professionalism in his work on the board. His colleagues have recognized his diligence and his generosity of spirit. His contributions to the Board of Land Surveyors and to the people of New Hampshire are admirable. I commend Mr. McEneaney for his exemplary service to our State.

On a personal note, I have known Mr. McEneaney since he was a student in my class at Dover High School almost 40 years ago. I have seen firsthand his integrity, his work ethic, and his commitment to his community. I know he will succeed in whatever he does, and I wish him well in his future endeavors.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2454. An act to create clean jobs, achieve energy independence, reduce global warming pollution and transition to a clean energy economy.

H.R. 2647. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, to provide special pays and allowances to certain members of the Armed Forces, expand concurrent receipt of military retirement and VA disability benefits to disabled military retirees, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2892. An act making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2996. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environ-

ment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution; without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 31. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate, and a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 89. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and objectives of the Prague Conference on Holocaust Era Assets.

The message further announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d, clause 10 of rule I, and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group: Mr. OBERSTAR of Minnesota, Chairman, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Vice-Chairman, Ms. SLAUGHTER of New York, Mr. STUPAK of Michigan, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. HODES of New Hampshire, Mr. WELCH of Vermont, Mr. MANZULLO of Illinois, Mr. STEARNS of Florida, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, and Mrs. MILLER of Michigan.

The message also announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2761, clause 10 of rule I, and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the British-American Interparliamentary Group: Mr. CHANDLER of Kentucky, Chairman, Mr. SIRES of New Jersey, Vice-Chairman, Mr. CLYBURN of South Carolina, Mr. ETHERIDGE of North Carolina, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. PETRI of Wisconsin, Mr. BOOZMAN of Arkansas, Mr. CRENSHAW of Florida, Mr. ADERHOLT of Alabama, and Mr. LATTA of Ohio.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 703(c) of the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 (50 U.S.C. 435 note), and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Speaker appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Public Interest Declassification Board for a term of 3 years: Mr. David Skaggs of Longmont, Colorado.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2996. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 89. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and objectives of the Prague Conference on Holocaust Era Assets; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.